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APPENDIX C

METHODOLOGY

The methodology used in this research aid involved detailed studies of each of the individual plants producing rolling stock to determine where possible the amount and kind of production at each plant for each of the postwar years. This study was made in order to determine whether a plant was known to be producing special equipment or had capacity that was not accounted for and could be used for production of this equipment, what types of equipment had been produced by the plant in the past and could be produced in the future, and any possible connections with the guided missile program. This procedure required a study of all available source materials in the files of the analyst and coordination of efforts with other branches and other agencies.

A further analysis was made of statistics of production of rolling stock by each Union-Republic and by the USSR as a whole and of some of the main groups of commodities in an effort to obtain information concerning the entire industry similar to that outlined in the preceding paragraph. Most of these statistics were available in open sources.

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